MEETING OF THE RHODE ISLAND AUTO COLLISION REPAIR LICENSING ADVISORY BOARD

DATE: October 30, 2013

TIME: 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Department of Business Regulation

Conference Room -69-1

1511 Pontiac Avenue

Cranston RI 02920

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Reynolds – Chairman, Gerald Galleshaw, Lt. David Doucet, Chris Hurd, Louis De Quattro, Al Olney, Dennis Gamba

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Steve Altieri, John Mancone

OTHERS PRESENT: Kim Precious, Brent Golden, Joshua Burrows, Manuel Moniz, Larry Alan, John Wisniewski, Scot Jajic

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:26 AM.

MINUTES:

July meeting - no minutes due to no quorum. September meeting cancelled.

Chairman Reynolds motioned to accept the minutes of the July 31, 2013 meeting.

Seconded by Mr. De Quattro, All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

Renewal update: Per Mr. De Quattro, there was 18 cases, 2 are still open, and the others have been closed by some type of legal action, such as, consent orders, fines, or hearings.

Inspection update: (None at this time)

Legislation update: Per Mr. De Quattro, the Department will not be submitting any Auto Body legislation. (That doesn't mean it can't come from somewhere else.)

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Paint-less Dent Repair, "(PDR)": Nothing new unless wording to 5-38-1 changes.

"§ 5-38-1 "Automobile body shop" defined. – Automobile body shop, referred to as "auto body shop", includes any establishment, garage, or work area enclosed within a building where repairs are made or caused to be made to motor vehicle bodies, including fenders, bumpers, chassis and similar components of motor vehicle bodies as distinguished from the seats, motor, transmission, and other accessories for propulsion and general running gear of motor vehicles, except as provided in § 5-38-20. No repairs performed by licensees under this chapter may be performed using mobile units, but may only be performed at a fixed, licensed location. This section shall not apply to glass repair and installations or paintless dent repairs. History of Section.

(P.L. 1974, ch. 111, § 2; P.L. 2008, ch. 100, art. 33, § 1; P.L. 2009, ch. 126, § 1; P.L. 2009, ch. 151, § 1; P.L. 2009, ch. 310, § 1.)"

Mr. De Quartrto was asked his opinion on the wording of this section, he believes it means that they (PDR and Glass), can't be forced to be done at a fixed location. That's all. A question was posed if we can move forward. Mr. De Quarttro said he will look at it more closely.

Discussion on defining what PDR is exactly. Per Me. De Quarttro, the

Department may interpret the statutory language if it is ambiguous

The definition of auto body work also needs to be looked at. Many

believe the definition is obsolete. The Board needs to look into

rewording statutes and regulation with generic language that allows

for evolution.

Certified Technician: Board needs to look at and set up reporting

system if the certified technician leaves the shop, an exact course

syllabus, and a continuing education process.

NEW BUSINESS: (None)

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Wisniewski from Payless Auto Glass was checking on the answer

to a question he emailed to the Department which was not address at

a meeting but on an email. The Question relating to the number of

complaints on auto glass compared to the number of auto body

complaints. (I did not have the answer available but will look into it

and respond at next meeting.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION: (None)

Chairman Reynolds motioned to adjourn this open meeting. Seconded by Mr. Galleshaw. All members present were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on December 11, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Precious
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